MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF PHARMACY SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 18, 2020

MINUTES

The President of the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy (Board) called for a telephonic meeting at 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 pursuant to Rule 1.3 of the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy Administrative Rules. The following members were present: Ryan Harper, President; Jillian Foster, Vice-President; J. Todd Barrett, Secretary, Clayton Farmer, Ronnie Bagwell and James L. Calvert. Board member Guy Phillips was absent.

The Board unanimously passed a resolution allowing the dispensing of up to a thirty (30) day supply of Schedule II controlled substance medication for prescriptions issued orally during the time period the governor's emergency declaration is in effect. See attached Resolution.

The Board considered a request to allow Bond Pharmacy, dba Advanced Infusion Solutions, Permit # 04274/2.0, to utilize remote order entry and remote verification services from home by the employees of their sister pharmacy, Bond Pharmacy, dba Advanced Infusion Solutions, Permit # 17818/7.1 located in Dallas, Texas. Due to the nature of the infusion pharmacy services and the patient population served by this pharmacy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request for the next thirty (30) days (effective until April 17, 2020).

Due to the Governor's state of emergency, the Board voted unanimously to cancel the Board meeting scheduled for March 19, 2020. Also due to a scheduling conflict, the Board voted unanimously to change the scheduled May 24, 2020 Board meeting to May 12, 2020.

The Board adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

These MINUTES are hereby approved this the 12^{th} day of May 2020.

J. Todd Barrett, Secretary

Clayton A. Farmer

Ronnie Bagwell

Absent Guy Phillips

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

The Mississippi Board of Pharmacy will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy office, 6360 I-55 N. Suite 400, Jackson, MS 39211 beginning at 4:45 p.m. Access to the meeting shall be available telephonically by contacting the Office of the Board of Pharmacy and obtaining an access code. The purpose of the meeting will be to deliberate issues concerning operational and regulatory conditions during the state of emergency addressing the coronavirus and COVID-19.

AGENDA

Special Meeting of the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy March 18, 2020

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ESTABLISH A QUORUM
- II. DISCUSSION OF BOARD REGULATION ARTICLE XIX
- III. DISCUSSION OF REQUEST FROM ADVANCE INFUSION SOLUTIONS, PHARMACY PERMIT 04274/2.0
- IV. MEETING DATES
- V. ADJOURN



RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy is charged with the protection of the public health as it relates to patient safety, patient health, patient access, and patient services, and

Whereas, Governor Tate Reeves declared a state of emergency on March 14, 2020 concerning the coronavirus and the potential spread of COVID-19; and

Whereas, in the best interest of protecting the public health, the delivery of healthcare services is being facilitated through telemedicine rather than face-to-face examinations; and

Whereas, the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy regulations restrict the prescriptions of Schedule II controlled substances under emergency conditions to a quantity of medication that does not exceed a forty-eight (48) hour supply when the prescription is issued orally; and

Whereas, to facilitate access by the public to drugs that are vital and necessary to maintaining each individual's health, now therefore;

Be it resolved, that for the duration of the Governor's declaration of emergency, Article XIX of the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy Regulations shall be suspended with respect to the quantity of Schedule II controlled substances prescribed orally. The Board shall allow a quantity of medication necessary for a thirty (30) day supply for a patient to be dispensed pursuant to an oral prescription for a Schedule II controlled substance during the declaration of emergency.

Be it further resolved, that all other provisions of Article XIX shall remain in effect and all pharmacies permitted by the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy are encouraged to be familiar with the provisions of Article XIX and CFR §1306.11(d).

Resolved through an emergency, telephonic meeting of the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy this day, March 18, 2020 at 4:45 o'clock P.M.